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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TSUTOMU CHIBA : EXAMINER: RHODE JR. R. E.
SERIAL NO: 09/893,663 :
RCE FILED: HEREWITH : GROUP ART UNIT: 3625
FOR: APPARATUS, METHOD, :
PROGRAM, AND DATA STRUCTURE
FOR ASSISTING PLACING ORDER FOR
MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004 and supplemental to the amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed January 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.